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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated August 12, 1999, the time to respond having been extended three months, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 14, after "1996" insert --, now U.S. Patent No. 5,738,096 --.

Page 10, line 32, change of to -- or --.

Page 34, line 25, change "filed" to -- field --.

Page 42, between lines 27 and 28, insert the following paragraph:

-- An implantable light source 57 (Fig. 4B) can be used instead of the electrical controller, which generates pulses of light that are transmitted to at least one light source(s) 59 adjacent to a site of the heart, through